

VINCENT C. GRAY MAYOR

September 27, 2013

Dr. Natwar Gandhi Chief Financial Officer Government of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 203 Washington, DC 20004

Re: Use of the Contingency Cash Reserve Fund

Dr. Gandhi:

As the government shutdown looms, I am writing you in regard to the District's Contingency Cash Reserve ("Reserve"). According to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Office of Budget and Planning, the current balance of the Reserve is approximately \$145,000,000. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer has the authority to replenish the Reserve at the end of the fiscal year out of certified additional revenue. I am requesting that you utilize the \$85,900,000 certified on June 24, 2013 to fully replenish the Reserve.

After replenishment, I am requesting the use of the Reserve in accordance with section 450A of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act (D.C. Official Code § 1-204.50a). Specifically, I am requesting that \$218,000,000 (or all available funds) from the Reserve be allocated to Non-Departmental in case it is needed to cover costs incurred by the District related to a possible Federal government shutdown. These funds will be repaid in full once Congress approves our budget and financial plan.

Sincerely.

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